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**SS-X-24 PRELAUNCH ACTIVITY**  
**PLESETSK ICBM LAUNCH TEST SITE 22, USSR**

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** A PAYLOAD MATING OPERATION, WHICH IS PART OF THE LAST MAJOR PHASE OF LAUNCH PREPARATIONS, APPEARS TO BE IN PROGRESS. (SWN)
2. **REMARKS:** AT 0817Z, A TRUCK CARRYING A DOMED APERTURE COVER WITH SILO/MISSILE SYSTEM CHECKOUT (S/MSC) VEHICLES AROUND IT WAS AT THE CLOSED SILO DOOR. THE DOMED APERTURE COVER PREVIOUSLY HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH PAYLOAD-RELATED OPERATIONS. AT 1045Z, A TYPE-IV WARHEAD VAN WAS ON THE TURNAROUND SECTION OF THE APRON, A PROBABLE TRUCK-MOUNTED CRANE WAS NEAR THE CLOSED SILO DOOR, AND THE TRUCK CARRYING THE DOMED APERTURE COVER AND THE S/MSC VEHICLES WERE STILL PRESENT. THE LAST LAUNCH OF AN SS-X-24 FROM THIS SILO \_\_\_\_\_ ENDED IN FAILURE (DEFSMAC S/DQ/446-83). (SWN)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ COORDINATES 62-53-22N 041-45-37E

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